

Amendments to the Specification

In the Specification:

Page 1, prior to "Field of the Invention," please insert the following:

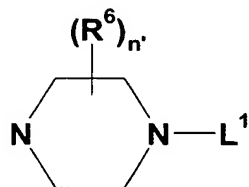
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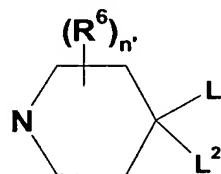
The paragraph at line 15 of page 74 has been amended as follows:

5-Diallylaminomethyl-thiophene-2-sulfonyl chloride ~~229b~~-269b (270 mg, 1.88 mmol) and DIEA (0.88 mL, 5.13 mmol) were dissolved in 10 mL chloroform. This solution was added methylisonipeotate (269 mg, 1.88 mmol) in 1 mL chloroform. The reaction was stirred for 3h, diluted with CH₂Cl₂ and extracted with HCl (0.1N), NaHCO₃ sat. and brine. The organic layer was dried over MgSO₄ and evaporated to dryness. The crude was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel using cyclohexane/EtOAc 1:1 as eluent to obtain 440 mg (65%) of 327a as colorless oil: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 7.30 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 6.83 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 5.78 (m, 2H), 5.18 (m, 4H), 3.70 (s, 2H), 3.52 (m, 6H), 3.07 (m, 4H), 2.50 (m, 2H), 2.25 (m, 1H), 1.93 (m, 2H), 1.84 (m, 2H). M/Z APCI: 399.2 (M+1)

The formulae at page 9 and line 7 has been amended as follows:



or



The formulae at page 10 and line 7 has been amended
as follows:

